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'TIS Proverbially said, *That a Fool's Bolt is soon shot*: And it is as certain a Character of the *Wise* and *Discreet*; to suspend their Judgment or Censure upon any thing; until deliberate Examination, and Inquiry into the Matter: lest afterwards they should recant, and correct their Mistake, with a *Non putaram*.——

There are Wonders in Nature; and sometimes, wonderful Things produced by *Art* or *Accident*; that scarce any *Age* passeth, without some insignal Discovery; as the Records of History sufficiently testify. *Gunpowder*, that stupendious thundering Destroyer was the Wonder of that *Age* which produced it; and few believed the Report, but such as heard and saw: and a *Universal Preservative*, or *Catholick* Curing Medicine, may happily be the Prodigy of our present Time; and perhaps alike Incredible to the World; except only to *Such*, as have experimented, or seen the various great Effects of its prevailing Power; against humane Infirmities, and dangerous contumacious Diseases.

In the Writings of some *Philosophers* and *Physitians*, Men esteemed and famed in their Times, for Learning; I find a *Universal Medicine* mentioned by them, and strongly affirmed for a real Truth; where also both the *Matter* and *Process* of Preparation are darkly hinted; to put Learned Ingenuity upon the Search, and diligent Tryals to purchase it. If such a rare *Medicine* were attainable in those days; there is a greater probability for the gaining of it *now*; Knowledge generally since, arriving to a higher pitch; accumulating by dayly Experience, and study for Improvements by Industrious Wits. If such a *Jewel* was found, and since lost again; or concealed, as not to appear in the World for publick Use; I Judge it might be so in favour to the *Medical Art*, and the *Professors* thereof; least the stately Fabrick of this Learned *Science* be ruined thereby, and the Professors become almost Useless, or of little Worth: for such a general Comprehensive *Medicine*, applying fitly to the most, if not all Cases; is easily managed without the help of a *Physitian*. If so, it may be, as not irrational to suppose (and *Interest* governs the World) we may the less wonder, that a *Catholick* or *Universal Medicine* is now a Stranger in the World: and the Wonder is not so great, if such a thing do appear in the World again; since it is the Purchase of Learned Labour; or the Fortunate Free Gift of some Casual Experiment; both which hath furnished Mankind with great Discoveries, and wonderful Rarities that are now grown *Common*.

Touching the possibility and probability of a *Catholick Medicine*: Nature is endowed or furnished, with *Catholick* or *Universal Food*; why not with *Catholick* Physick?

ſick? *Water* was the *Univerſal* Drink of the World, ſo given, and ſo uſed, in the Primitive Age; for all *Conſtitutions*, *Ages*, and both *Sexes*: and *Bread* is *Catholick* Food, agreeable to humane Nature, and uſed by People of all ſorts. If Nature can convert one ſimple *Meat* to divers Uſes, in different parts of the Body; why can ſhe not be Helped and Cured in thoſe various Parts, by one ſingle ſupream *Medicine*? Can Nature frame ſuch a curious Contrivance as Man's *Body*, of *Bread* and *Water*; and if we allow a piece of Fleſh too, cannot ſhe as eaſily mend this *Machine*, when out of Order, with an exquiſite ſingle Medicine, compoſed of a few choice Ingredients, well Prepared, congruouſly aſſociated and fitted for her Uſe?

But *Diſeaſes*, you'l ſay, are various, and ſometimes contrary to each other. Some Bodies require *Binding*, others *Looſning*; ſome *Heating*, others *Cooling*, &c. And one Medicine cannot work contrary Effects. I anſwer in ſhort; The ſame *Hand* and *Hammer* that can draw a *Nail* out, can drive a *Nail* in; and ſay no more.

If *Nature* be ſo curious an *Architect*, or *Worker*, as we ſaid before; (far beyond all *Artiſts*, who are but her Apes) ſhe can probably with one choſen Inſtrument, or well contrived *Medicine*, perform ſeveral Works therewith; uſing it as ſhe pleaſeth, to effect what ſhe ſtands in need of: *Nature* is a dextrous *Agent*, and can do wonderfully for her Help, with the Aſſiſtance of a *Soverain* Remedy. Can Humane Nature, of *Bread* and *Water*, make *Chyle*, *Blood*, *Nervous Juice*, *Sperme*, and *Milk*; various Liquors for divers Uſes, of the ſame Alimental Matter? Can this Nature make *Blood* here, *Fleſh* there, and *Bones* in an other place of the ſame Food? Can ſhe diſtribute this Nutrimental Matter, into all parts of the Body, and ſo tranſmute or alter, as to be a fit and convenient Supply and Support of the ſeveral Members, differing in Office, Form, and Temperature: *Brain*, *Heart*, *Lungs*, *Liver*, *Spleen*, *Reins*, &c. Working thus variouſly and wonderfully upon the ſame Subſtance or Matter, and converting it how ſhe pleaſeth, for her neceſſary Uſes? Then *(a majore)* if ſhe can do the *greater*, probably, and more eaſily the *leſſer*: Can ſhe not relieve her ſelf, Diſeaſed (impeded and diſturbed in her proper uſual *Courſe*) by the help of a generous brave *Medicine*, well-deſigned and compoſed for her general Uſe? Can ſhe not convey this *Medical Inſtrument* into all Parts, to ſet them right? Probably, as well by a ſingle *Medicine*, as by many; and perhaps better: If this *Medicine* be compleat and commodious for her Management; ſuch an one as is pliable and obedient to her Command, yielding like *Wax*, to any Impreſſion, and ſerving to any Purpoſe ſhe ſhall imploy it: If ſhe can work ſo variouſly with a ſimple nouriſhing Juice, as *Chyle*; why not then as variouſly with a ſingle Curing *Medicine*? If Nature can maintain and feed all parts of the Body with one ſort of Food; then probably, and very reaſonably, ſhe may Mend or Cure all thoſe Parts with one *Medicine*; provided it be ſo formed and fitted, of that Latitude as will anſwer all her Operations.

I perceive now, that *Wonders* are wrought in Man's Body every day; and being in Health: but we cannot ſo eaſily believe *Wonders* to be wrought by a *Medicine* in *Sickneſs*. If Nature can do *Wonders* with *Aliment*, as likely it is, ſhe can do *Wonders* with *Medicament*. Why ſhould we then, be ſo hard to believe the *Curing Wonder*, and doubt not at all in the *Feeding* or *Nouriſhing Wonder*? But you will ſay, *That Ali-*

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ment is flexible, and obedient to the power of Nature, who easily converts it to divers Uses. And I say, if you can make a *Medicine* thus pliable, and yielding to the power of Nature; 'tis possible then, you may make it thus generally useful for *Curing.*

I understand now the possibility to be very fair and reasonable on *Nature's* side; that she can manage a *Catholic Medicine* very well, to serve all her Designs and Purposes for *Curing*, if she had but such an Instrument to act with: but the possibility of designing, forming, and making this *Catholic* Instrument, lyes not so easie and probable on the *Physitian's* side: it is like to fail on his part, he knows not how, nor which way to go about it; SUPERAT CAPTUM. Nature is willing to receive ready to operate with such an Expedient, as a *Catholic Medicine*, if you had it to give her.

Huc usque deventum est: So far, so good: we are now got half way through this hard knotty Business, we only want a Physician to go through the other half, to perform the *Medicine*: but now I remember, making of *Medicines* is the *Apothecaries* Business, and the *Doctor* only prescribes what, and how it must be made: But the *Catholic Medicine* will not be made after that manner, the *Apothecary-Doctor* is not like to do the Business, so long as he makes *Medicines* by guess, with Pen and Ink upon a piece of Paper only: he must take a little more pains than in reading and writing: this is no Book *Medicine*; he must operate in the *Laboratory* too, if ever he will gain the *Catholic Medicine.* We must find out another, that is long experienced in the Preparation of *Medicines*, a diligent *Operator*, striving earnestly to purchase something Excellent, by various Tryals and Experiments beyond Book Reading; such a Man may happily find out this great *Arcanum.*

Perhaps you will say, there have been such *Seeking* Men, that have not found what they sought and laboured after: can you tell us how, or which way they must go about it, that they may not seek longer in vain?

I'll tell you as I was told, and will put you into the same Path, that led the Author hereof to this hidden Treasure. *Natura Corroborata est morborum medicatrix.* This is the way that leads to the *Catholic Medicine*, follow the Track, be guided by this Dictate, and God speed you — This golden Saying, *Natura Corroborata* — were the words of *Helmont*; and *Hypocrates* hinted the same many hundred years before him. *Nature* strengthened and assisted, is the Curer of Diseases.

Nature is *Medicatrix*, and Medicine is *Instrumentum*: 'tis Nature that heals *primariò & immediatè*; *Medicine* Cures *remotè & instrumentaliter*; as an Instrument that Nature useth to work by: for except Nature doth take hold of, and close with this Instrument, to exercise it for her Help, performing some Operation therewith, in order to *Curing*; else *Medicine* is given in vain, and effects nothing: and this we may believe, that no *Medicine* directs it self here or there in the Body; but *Nature* (which is the Life) disposeth of it to this part, or that, as she stands in need, conveying both *Nutriment* and *Medicament* at her pleasure; at least, to her power; and there is no power else.

If *Nature* be *Medicatrix*, and *Medicine* is only Assistant; then, *invita Naturâ*, Nature refusing to act with the *Medicine*, no good can be done: nor can the best Food give Nourishment to the Body, if *Nature* doth not convert it to the proper Use and

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Intention. If ſo, then *Medicine* ought to be ſuch as muſt not diſguſt, nor diſturb her, that ſhe may readily receive and act therewith chearfully.

If *Nature* be *Medicatrix*, the Curer of all *Diſeaſes*, then doubtleſs ſhe knows beſt where the *Diſeaſe* lyes, and which way ſhe muſt be helped: and no *Phyſitian* is ſo ſharp ſighted, to ſee where; nor ſo diſcerning, to know what, is moſt expedient and proper for Relief; but many times, inſtead of *Helping*, he does *Hurt*, miſtaking the Caſe; rather troubling, than aſſiſting or relieving, by forcing a wrong *Operation*, or promoting the *Right* with a *Bad* Medicine: and better it is to do nothing, than ſuch injurious meddling: *Experience* tells us, that many a ſick Perſon hath been made worſe by *Medicines*; *Nature* more perplexed, and *Diſeaſes* exaſperated thereby. Now here lyes the Excellency of the *Catholic Medicine*, that it doth not conſtrain, or force *Nature* to any particular *Operation*, but is fit for any, and promotes that which *Nature* elects for her Relief. By this you may perceive the difference between a *Common* Medicine, and a *Catholic*: Other *Medicines* conſtrains *Nature* to ſuch, or ſuch a particular *Operation*; which if the Caſe doth not require it, but *Nature* would act another way, more advantageous, you then contend with, and thwart *Nature*, and inſtead of *Helping*, you offer *Violence* and *Injure* her; that *Medicine* is as another *Diſeaſe*, added to what ſhe complained of before; and *Nature* ſtruggles with this *Croſs* Medicine, and doth not comply with the *Operation*, to effect any *Good*: and this is eaſie to be diſcerned oftentimes upon a Medicine given; inſtead of an Allay and Mitigation, the Diſeaſed Perſon complains more, *Nature* being unwilling to go that way as the Medicine compells; the Conſequents then muſt needs be ill, and the *Phyſitian's* Deſignment fruſtrated.

Natura Corroborata — Is that the way to the *Catholic* Medicine? And is that the way to effect *Cures?* Then you muſt be very careful and wary, that you do not debilitate *Nature* by *irkſome*, *nauſeous*, *exhauſting*, *painful* Medicines: and if ſo, then a great many are much out of the way, whoſe Medicines and Methods enfeeble *Nature* by large Exhauſtions, and *tyering*-Medicines, that overload, fret, and grieve *Nature*, not contributing to her ſtrengthening and aſſiſtance, but the contrary.

There are three ſorts of *Unlucky* Medicines: the *one* ill compoſed, or aſſociated, and *incongruous* of *Compoſition*, not agreeing within it ſelf. The *ſecond*, are ſuch, whoſe *Ingredients*, or the Preparation of them, are diſguſtful to *Nature*, and not fit to be exhibited to any Body. There is a *third* ſort; which although tolerably good in themſelves, and innocent; yet being given *unduly* and *unſeaſonably*, when *Nature* requires a Medicine of another *Operation*: this is an *Unlucky* and *unfortunate* Medicine alſo, and ſtrains *Nature* the wrong way: neither of theſe three do *Corroborate Nature*, but *debilitate* and *deject*. No wonder then, that ſo many *pale Faces* and *thin Chaps* appear after *Phyſicking*, ſince there are ſo many *Unlucky* Medicines abroad in the World, or unluckily appointed and given. Truly, if *Nature* be fretted, gall'd, or oppreſt with ſuch *unwelcome*, *diſguſting* Medicines, ſhe will make ſigns of her ill Uſage: but if you give good Medicines, ſuch as do *corroborate*, *help* and *aſſiſt*, her Smiles and good Looks will declare it.

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I might proceed far in Discourse, touching the great difference between the comprehensive *Catholic* Medicine, and the narrow, strait-lac'd Medicines, ty'd up to some particular *Operation* and *Purpose*; as also concerning the reasonableness and fair probability in *Art*, to design and effect a Medicine of *Catholic* Latitude: but I shall not spend more time now in *Reasoning*, but come to the *Practical* part of our Business, and prove by *Fact*, what you are not convinced of by *Reason*. If you cannot trace it in the *Causes*, sufficient it is if I shew it plain in the *Effects*: *Experiment* is above all Arguments, and *Reasom* is silenced, when *Fact* determines without it, or against it. I know, your chief Desire is to see what *Extraordinary*, this Medicine hath, and can do; and I shall satisfie you therein; for it were a Crime to conceal what this Medicine hath effected, and what *Help* it affords to *Nature*, distressed and languishing, above the power of any other Medicine; which I shall shew you, as followeth.

The *Author* or *Inventer* of this Medicine, was the *Maker* of it; and also the first *Patient* that try'd it upon his own Body. The occasion was rather urgent, than of curiosity to be satisfy'd: which in plain *Dealing*, and as short as I can (avoiding terms of *Art* as much as may be) was thus.

Being upon a Journey, the third days Riding caused a *Bloody Urine*, or rather perfect *Blood*, issuing that way, about half a pint at once; being newly alighted at my *Inn*. This much surprised me, being about fifty miles from *Home*, and such a distance from my own Medicines, it troubled me: for I was very unwilling to make use of *Countrey* Help, knowing well enough how the *Medicine-Trade* is managed. The first Expedient I pitcht upon for Remedy, was *Rhenish-Wine* and *Spring-Water*, sweetned with a little *Loaf-Sugar*; of which having drunk about a Pint, I made *pale Urine*, and very clear, no sign of *Blood* appearing; at which I was well pleased, and drank the same at Meals also. This *Hæmorrhage* thus ceasing, and having a hundred Miles to ride further (after a days rest) I went on the Journey: but afterwards, Riding brought it upon me again; and I had recourse to the aforesaid Remedy, which stopt it several times.

Coming to *London*, I found my self much disabled by this Accident in the *Journy*, and afflicted with *Pain* and *Heawiness* at the *Region* of the *Back*, chiefly the *Left Kidney*, and sometimes a *Bloody Urine*. But as many People use to do, I prosecuted my other Occasions (being then urgent upon my Return) and neglected my Preservation; until I was forced to betake my self to *Medicines*; which I did at vacant days, but not so strictly as I ought, by Retirement from all Business, so that the *Disease* abated little, or nothing, saving some *Ease* and *Intermissions* at times: but upon much walking, or shaking by *Coach*, those *Symtoms* returned again, and sometimes strains of *Blood* by Stools. I then began to observe strickly the *Urine*, which was strong scented, with a foul Sediment in the *Urinal*, after five or six hours standing. This gave me Information of an *Ulcer* placed in the *Kidney*; and I was then sufficiently alaram'd of the danger, and drew off from all Business, applying earnestly to means, by *Dyet-Drink*, *Pills*, and other *Medicines*.

But the *Disease* having gained such advantage by former delay, that what I had used did not check it, but proceeded higher and more formidable. The *extravasted Blood* not sufficiently discharged by the *Urinary Ducture*, nor by *Stool*; but being collected

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from the *Left Kidney*, to the *Left Hypogaſter*; formed a *Tumor* there, between the *Flank* and *Navel*, like a weighty Lump, which was very troubleſome, lying on the *Right Side*, but more eaſie on the *Left*; to ſtretch, cauſed pain there; or to turn in Bed, except very gently. This *Tumor* preſſing upon the *Inteſtines*, or *Guts*, ſtopped the paſſage, that I had no *Stool* for three or four days together, unleſs procured by *Phyſick*, and that with difficulty; alſo ſomething elſe remarkable, which I forbear to mention. The *Tumor* thus continuing for a *Fortnight*, or three *Weeks*, and not diſcuſſing, but lock'd up, inclin'd to *Suppuration*; during which time, for about a *Weeks* ſpace, a ruſhing noiſe, like *Wind* and *Waters*, much moleſted my *Head*; and fearing the dangerous Conſequents of the *Apoſtemation*, that might deſtroy the *Formation* and *Communication* of *Parts*, rendring them uncapable of their Office: I ſeriouſly conſidered with my ſelf what to do in this hazardous Juncture, as finding the *Method* and *Medicines* I had taken, to be ineffectual; the *Diſeaſe* increaſing more *terrible*, and probably, *mortal*, unleſs ſome other Means were uſed.

Thus anxiouſly conſidering, I bethought my ſelf of a Medicine, which long before I had begun to form the Deſignment; and had noted it in my Papers, intending at ſome leaſure times to review and perfect the Deſigne thereof. This *Medicine* continued in my thoughts a day and a night, adding and altering in my mind variouſly (as having but this Caſt for my Life) but coming to a reſult, and determing at laſt, both the *Matter* and *Proceſs*, I prepared for it, and was earneſt to finiſh, that I might come to the tryal; (time was then precious) and being much perſwaded in my mind, that this was as hopeful means, as *Art* could procure; and having ſome Preparations by me, ſerving to this purpoſe, I ſooner finiſhed the Work.

The *Medicine* being made, next morning after early, I took a *Doſe* thereof, a *Dram* in weight, and perceived no manifeſt Operation, until *Afternoon*; then a gentle motion downwards, and at night another; I felt no diſturbance by the *Medicine*, all the day, but *Eaſie* in Body. This pleaſed me much, that the *Medicine* was ſo agreeable and gentle, and the *Operation* ſo pleaſant, in my weak and ſore Condition; I was incouraged to expect great and good EFFECTS from it. The morning following I took another *Doſe*, which operated much like the firſt, but ſooner in the day; I took the third day, the fourth and the fifth in like manner; during which time I was not at all ſick at Stomack, nor moleſted any way by the *Medicine*, but as if I had taken no *Phyſick*, ſave only two or three *Stools* in the day, and *Urine* more freely, and paler than before, ſent forth alſo with more ſtrength. Thus my hopes began to ſpring, and I was wonderfully pleaſed with the *Medicine* for its *Operation*, and the *Effects*, and began to be *Lighter* in *Body*, and turn with leſs pain in Bed.

Then I intermitted one day, forbearing the *Medicine*; but the day following I began again, and took four days more together, obſerving dayly the *Stools* and *Urine*; in which was much purulent Matter coming both ways, by *Stools* and *Urine*. Upon this the *Tumor* began to fall, and leſſen dayly: the *Apoſtemated* Matter being thus conſtantly evacuated by the help of the *Medicine*; which brought it away with ſo much caſe, as if it had been but the healing of a Cut Finger; it made me *Eat*, *Drink*, and *Sleep* well; but obſerved convenient *Dyet*; and was ſenſible of any Irregularity committed, by ſome Indiſpoſition afterwards; for, going abroad once too ſoon, and drink-

drinking the quantity but of a Pint of *Ale:* at return home about five of the Clock, I began to be in pain at the part affected (declaring a disgust to the Liquor) which increased to that degree in an hours time, that I was tortured in that part, so as I never felt the like, causing me to *Vomit*, *Purge*, *Sweat*, and *Faint*; which continued thus almost three hours, and then ceased suddenly, without the help of any thing; not being able to suffer a Spoonful of any *Cordial* to come within my Lips: this *Fit* being over, I was chearful as before, and slept well that Night.

The next morning, and the morning following, I took the *Medicine* again, which operated as usually before, with benefit and pleasantness; then I omitted a day, and took two days more together; and after another days Intermission, two days again the *Medicine*.

Still *Purulent* Matter, but little; and sometimes *Bloody* Matter came away at every days *Operation*; but much easier in Body: the *Tumyfied* part now flat, and not sore, that I could lay my hand upon it without pain, and the *Reins* pretty firm, that I could stoop or walk with ease; but still ingaged to continue the use of the *Medicine*, and then I took it every other day, for almost a *Fortnight*; but changed the times, and took it only at Nights, going to bed; and rested very well with it until the time of rising, and then a motion downwards.

Observing constantly both *Stools* and *Urine*, I was satisfyed the Cure came on very hopefully: and finding that the days of taking were better than when I forbore, and perceiving some small prickling pains at times in the *Flank*, and under the *Os pubis* especially at times of making *Water*, with some small appearance of corrupt Matter; I durst not yet leave off the *Medicine*, but kept the Passages open, for a full draining out of all the Corruption, least any *Relict* lurking behind (though pretty quiet at present) might beget a fresh disturbance.

And now I began to take the *Medicine* with the intermission of two days; and continued so for about a *Fortnight*, and went abroad the intermitting days. Afterwards I used it twice in a *Week* only, and went abroad those days I took the Medicine, the Weather being moderate, and my self being much more able in Body than before.

And now by the good *Providence* of God, directing me to this *Soverain* means (far beyond all that ever I knew) I am healed of that *Ulcer* and *Apostem*; which I must wholly ascribe to the Vertues of this *Medicine*. And thus much I thought my self ingaged to declare to the World, in testimony of Thankfulness to the *Almighty*, and Charity to others, whose Lives may be in as great *Jeopardy*, and know not where to find such easie and secure *Help*; that as it was the sole Instrument of saving my Life, so it may be also of many others, though in different Cases.

And having thus briefly given you the true and bare *Narrative* of this *Cure*, and the Matters of *Fact*; give me leave to comment a little upon the whole *Story*, and remark what may be considerable. *Miser eram, ut fortunatus essem:* Probably I had never known this good and great *Medicine*, had not *Necessity* urged me so earnestly upon the *Invention*, and full tryal thereof upon my self; whereby I am the more as-

ſured of the excellent Properties and Worth thereof. Had I uſed this Medicine ſooner, I had prevented the *Tumor* gathering; at leaſt, the *Apoſtemation*, by *diſſolving* and *diſcuſſing* the coagulate Matter, before *Suppuration*; but being fixed ſo long before, and inclinable to *Suppurate*, I muſt undergo the hazard of an *Apoſtem* ſpreading and breaking within the Belly (which might have proved *Cancerous*) and the danger of roding the Veſſels of thoſe *Parts*, and rotting ſome part of the *Meſentery*: but plying this Medicine diligently, and undiſturbedly from any other, broke the *Apoſtem* timely, diſcharged the *Corruption* freely, ſafely, and with much eaſe. Had this *Apoſtem* been prevented by the timely uſe of this Medicine, I had not then ſo certainly known its prevailing, healing power in ſuch dangerous Caſes: but the *Author* was made the firſt *Experimentor* of his new *Medical Engine*, and that in a deplorable and extream Caſe. Some purchaſe *Knowledge* by *Study*; others by *Travel*, and I by my own *Sickneſs*; and that not a ſmall one; for it almoſt coſt me my Life; *Quanti, quanti, bene emitur, non me pœnitet.*

This *Extract* performed all the requiſite Offices belonging to this great *Cure*: It acted alone the various *Operations* of divers Medicines, which ſucceſſively and methodically are uſed in ſuch Caſes. This ſingle Medicine, but once in twenty four hours taken, and ſometimes but once in forty eight hours, performed the whole Work, and ſuppl'yd the place of a numerous train of Medicines: no *Fomentations*, *Cataplaſms*, *Unguents*, or *Liniments* externally applyed; as uſually in like Caſes: no Purging *Pills*, *Potions*, or *Clyſters*: No *Vulnerary Decoctions*, or Cooling *Juleps*: no *Sarcotick Electuaries*, or *Epulotic Bolus*, internally uſed; as method requires in ſuch Diſeaſes.

This *Medicine alone*, acted every *Scene*; this was the *Traumatick*, the *Digeſtive*, the *Abſterſive*, the *Purgative*, the *Anodyne*, the *Cordial*, the *Julep*, that allayed *Fermenting* Matter, and *Febrile* Heats; the Opening *Clyſter*, the Diſcuſſing *Fomentation*, the mollifying *Unguent* and Suppurating *Cataplaſm*. This was, *inſtar omnium, omnibuſque præſtantius.* Had I been to run the *Gantlope* through ſo many various particular *Chance Medicines* (as the neceſſity of ſo great a Diſeaſe, and long of Courſe would require) with Paper *Recipes*, and unknown Caſual *Shop-Medicines*; I had been fairly brought to Bed; my head had layn low enough by this time, I do not doubt: but this *Medicine* alone did ſufficiently and fully anſwer all *Indications*, that *Medical Art* doth require in that, or like Caſes; and the *Operations* were as I could wiſh: what more could be deſired? Had I procured half a dozen *Phiſitians* and *Chirurgeons*, they could not have done more, or better, than what this ſingle Medicine performed; and perhaps, not ſo well: varyous *Opinions*, and differing *Conjectures*, ariſing from many *Heads*, frequently diſturbs; and ſometimes, fruſtrates a *Cure*; eſpecially, when Conjectural New-formed Medicines, *pro re nata*, muſt be put upon the Work; which moſt commonly are the reſult of *Conſultations*; every man muſt have a Oare in the *Boat*; ſome pulls one way, and ſome another.

I committed the whole *Cure* to this *Medicine*; *not at a venture*; but as ſatisfyed (after a few days tryal) nothing in *Medical Art* could do more ſecurely and effectually; it kept my *Body Open*, at *Eaſe*, and in good *Temper*, free from any *Feaver*, the whole Courſe: it diſcharged the *Apoſtemated* and *Ulcerous* Matter dayly, by *Stools* and

and *Urine*: it never failed me a day, but performed steddily and constantly, with so much ease and pleasantness, that I could *Eat* and *Drink*, *Sleep* and *Study*, as if little ailed me; when dangerously seized with an *Ulcer* in the *Kidney*, and a *Tumor Apostemating* in the *Belly*. All this while I was double concerned: *First*, for my *Life*, as being at Hazard: and *secondly*, for the Reputation of the *Medicine*; which would have troubled me, had it not performed so clearly and manifestly excellent, althouuh I had escaped: for I was much pleased in the hopes of this *Medicine*; that it would be the Instrument of saving many Lives; and that it might prove the *None-such*; *perinde accidit*; *quod mihi maximè optatum fuit*.

But if I had dyed by some accidental miscarriage in this dangerous Sickness (as before mentioned by my adventure) notwithstanding I must needs have extolled the *Medicine*, offering so fairly for a *Cure*, and performing its Operations so admirably; that if the inevitable time of dying was come, the *Medicine* could not be charged with *Insufficiency*, since nothing can be expected more from a *Medicine*, than due *Operations*; and all the Medicines of this Art could do no more than this did, and I question, whether so much, and so well; for where there is variety designed methodically, and by turns to act several parts, some do it well, and some ill; that after much strugling through hopes and Fears, by better and worse days; if the *Sick* do at last recover, 'tis hard to say what effected, or conduced towards the *Cure*; so dubious commonly are the Methods of *Physick*, by various Medicines, even where the most and seeming greatest means are used.

But notwithstanding all this great Performance upon my self in various *Operations*, and much Experience by repeated Use in my own *Cure*: I was desirous of seeing tryals upon *Others* in different Cases, to confirm the Opinion I had of this *Medicine*; and therefore I waved the Use of other proper and good Medicines, for peculiar *Operations* and Purposes, in the Cure of several Infirmities and Diseases, in divers Persons, and prosecuted only with this *Catholick Extract*; from which successful Experiments and Proceedings therein, I am further informed, and fully satisfyed of the *Worth* and *Usefulness* of this *Medicine*, both in *Young* and *Old*, and of both *Sexes*, variously diseased: the Particulars whereof to relate of each Person, would be too tedious, and swell this *Narrative* to inconvenient Bigness and Price: I shall therefore compendiously summ up the special Properties and Vertues wherewith this Medicine is endowed, and by what *Operations* it doth perform the same.

I have found this *Medicine* to be most effectual, for *Cleansing* and *Purifying* foul or corrupt decaying Bodies; gently and gradually searching all parts and places, where such Matter settles and lodgeth; and that you will find by what comes from you both ways; for your *Stools* and *Urine* will be stronger scented than at other times; and you will see such filthy Stuff brought away, as you did not think remained within you: it makes the Body *wholesome*, *clean*, and *sweet*, drawing out all Impurity, and stinking corrupt Humors, without the help of *Issues*: for by the use of this sometimes; you may be discharged safely from the troublesome dayly dressing of stinking *Issues*; and at best, they are but *Remedia à posteriori*; to abate the Effects and product Matter of *Diseases*: but this *Medicine* is *Remedium à priori*; applying to the Fountain and

Spring from whence such issuing *Humor* flows, and where it is bred: this not only evacuates what is generated, but also prevents the generating of such noxious degenerate matter. 'Tis a good Invention, and useful sometimes to *Embalm* and secure the Dead from *Putrefaction*, and sending forth noysome Scent: but this hath a more excellent *Art*, that preserves living Bodies from putrid *humors*, which annoy and decay the *Life*. It is Customary with many to take a *Purge*, or two, now and then; and it is well thought on, for cleaning the Body, to prevent *Diseases* breeding, or growing and spreading; but if then also they were careful and knowing in the choice of their Medicine to do it with, this also is necessary: all *Purging* is not *Purifying*; but that which is perform'd by a *wholesome*, *balsamick*, *purifying* Medicine. If you rub the dust, or durt from *Iron* with a *wet Cloth*, it soon after contracts a *Rust*, and your cleaning was to little purpose: and if you cleanse Man's Body with the common *virulent Stimulators*, falsely denominated *Purgatives*; it will soon want cleaning again: they *taint* also, stamping ill Impressions upon the Parts, and lay a Foundation for a future Work; it is therefore very considerable, with what Medicine you cleanse the Body; especially, *Crasy* and *Weak*: for this not only *cleans* and *purifies*, but also leaves a *strengthening* power behind, whereby the Parts perform their *Functions* more vigorously, and continue longer in their Duties.

A grand Complaint, and most frequent amongst the *Infirme* and *Diseased*, is *Obstructions*; herewith thousands are grieved and complain; some in this *Part*, and some in that: the *Lungs*, the *Liver*, the *Spleen*, *Mesentery*, *Pancreas*, *Matrix*, *Kidneys*, *Guts*, *Gall*, &c. and from *Obstructions* in these parts, a multitude of *Diseases* take their *rise*, are *continued*, or *aggravated* thereby; else *Physitians* are very wrong in their Judgments and Determinations. Now here is a *Medicine* fit for the purpose, for *Yours*, and *Yours*: this is the best *Picklock* Instrument for opening of *Obstructions* or *Stoppages* that can be: it unbars and unlocks all Passages that are closed, clogg'd, or stopt up: removing and carrying away all the condensed or coagulate, viscous and slimy obstructing matter; lubrefying and dilating the *Passages* for a free transition thereof: and herein this *Medicine* hath given ample testimony of its Ability and Performance.

Now from this and the former *Operation*, Viz. *Cleansing*, so performed; a numerous train of *Diseases* are carryed off, and subdued; as, *Scurvey*, *Dropsies*, *Hypochondriac Melancholy*, *Jaundies*, *Spleen*, *Cholick*, Green *Sickness*, Flatulent *Fumes*, *Hysterical Fits*, *Feavers*, *Quinsies*, *Plurisies*, &c. There being no Morbific matter left to breed on, or to feed on.

How many *Feavers* depend upon *Obstructions*, by *morbous*, *depraved* matter lodged, or lockt up? Very many, and very often, this is the generating *Cause*, and this is the continuing *Cause*; you may then give *Julep* upon *Julep*, and play the fool till *Death's* day, and never cure the *Feaver*. These *Obstructions* cause *Pain*, this *Pain* raiseth a *Feaver*; and oftentimes, an *Inflammation* to the Bargain; this *Inflammation*, a *Tumor*, internal and seldom perceived: this *Tumor* sometimes *Apostemates*, or becomes *Scirrhous* and *Indurate*; or *Gangrens*, and kills the *Patient*, never coming to any *Suppuration*; and then the Patient is said to dye of a *Feaver*; they could not quench this *Feaver*: no, I believe not, it was not like to be done by *Juleping* and *Clystering*,

Blistering,

and *bluſtering* to no purpoſe. And after this manner ſo many thouſands have dyed of a *Feaver*; thanks to the Ignorance of the pretending *Curers*. And ſuch *Caſes* internal as theſe, come oftener into the *Phyſitians* Practice, than taken notice of; and *thouſands* have dyed upon this account, when the true ſtate of the Caſe was not diſcerned; but the *Patient* dyed of a *Feaver*; that was apparent, and aimed at; the reſt was *latent*, and therefore proved Mortal: this *Medicine* can find out a *Diſeaſe*, when the *Phiſitian* ſees it not, and knows not what to aim at.

But here is an *Engine* to quench a *Feaver*, ſurer and ſafer than with *Buckets* full of *Juleps*. But will this *Medicine* remove *Obſtructions?* Then it will cure many a *Diſeaſe*: yes, if it were a heap of *Gravel* in the *Kidneys* or *Bladder*, it will carry it away, and ſweep the place. I perceive now, Dame *Nature*, *Medicatrix*, with the help of this Inſtrument, will cure a multitude of *Diſeaſes*, if there were never a *Doctor* and *Pothecary* to be found. This is a far better *Medicine*, than any Paper Medicine; the *Recipes* and *Decipes*, the *Pot-guns* and *Crackers*, that make a noiſe, and do no execution; yes, ſometimes they do; *mortal* Execution.

For Pains of the *Head* or *Limbs*, *Stitches*, or *Gripes* in the Body, *Reumatiſm*, or *Gout*; this *Medicine* is moſt proper means, and very prevailing, to free all parts of the Body from *acrid*, *ſharp*, *punging* and *corroding Humors*; the Cauſes of ſuch reſtleſs, painful aſſaults that moleſt you. And for ſuch as have the *Gout*, or incline thereto, this is both *Preventive*, to keep off, and a *Curative* Remedy in the *Paroxiſm*, or Fit; and is the ſafeſt allaying, eaſing means, in thoſe extream tormenting Caſes, when *Phyſitians* dare not give a Medicine for fear of the danger, and of making them worſe: but this comfort they will adminiſter; when the Fit is off, they will then preſcribe a Courſe of *Phyſick*: Thank you for nothing; truly *Doctor*, if you cannot help me when I am tormented with *pain*, you ſhall not meddle with me when I am at *eaſe*; for you are not likely to do me any good.

To aſſiſt the *Genital* Function, and remove the Impediments of thoſe *Organs*, belonging to that Faculty, for the better and due Performance of their Offices; this *Medicine* is ſingular good: it enables feeble inſufficient Perſons by cleanſing and giving ſtrength to thoſe Parts, and is probable good means againſt *Barrenneſs*. 'Tis the beſt Remedy for weak *Backs*, *Loyns*, or *Genitalls*; for *Strains* or *Over Reaches*; for *Spermatick Waſting*, and *Seminal Iſſuing*; to ſtay the *Whites* ſafely, by cleanſing and purifying; to digeſt a crude, thin, watery *Seed*, and reduce it to better Conſiſtence; by cleanſing the *Spermatick Veſſels*, and elaborating the *Seed*; it knits and roborates the *Spine* and *Genitals* of both Sexes.

For Diſeaſes appearing outward, declaring an ill Habit of Body, and foulneſs of *Blood*; as when *Spots*, *Pimples*, *Itch*, *Scabs*, *Puſtuls*, *Swellings*, &c. this *Extract* is very proper, for a more free Perſpiration; and to ſend forth by the *Pores*, for a purification of the *Blood*, and nutricious Juices of the Body.

For the *Venereal Lues* or *Pox*, and that long Train of Symptoms, which attend, and gradually follow this grand Diſeaſe, as *Gonorrhœas*, ſharp *Urine*, *Buboes*, *Pains*, *Scabs*, *Puſtuls*, *Ulcers*, &c. This *Catholic* Medicine is incomparable for power, and moſt convenient for Privacy: being a *Remedy* ſo eaſily managed, and giving the moſt Liber-

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ty that can be allowed, if the Weather be not very bad to go abroad in: for its Operations are ſo gentle, and this to be taken at Nights; that whil'ſt you ſleep, it is doing the Work that yon deſire to be effected: and although other dogged, ill contrived Medicines, do make the Diſeaſed look thin and ſuſpiciouſly; this enables them in body, and alſo puts a good face upon it, and you will not be worn down and enfeebled by this *Medicine*, as commonly by the untoward methods now practiſed.

To promote and ſet forward all *Chirurgical* Cures, that appear outward, and may be managed by the hand; this *Medicine* is moſt excellent and uſeful: for *Wounds*, *Tumors*, *Contuſions*, *Apoſtems*, *Ulcers*, *Cancers*, *Fiſtula's*; and *Gangreens*, if not too far gone to a Mortification, nothing is more available and conducing towards a Cure; and put it forward when you are at a ſtand, by drawing off and evacuating all *Humoral* Feeding Cauſes, which continues, and keeps *Sores* from healing. But for the like Caſes internal; this *Medicine* does all the Work, and acts a dexterous *Chirurgeons* part in thoſe places, where neither his eye can diſcern, nor his hand come to help you: then this Medicine is more helpful, and more to be depended on, than all the Practiſers in this Art: this alone will do the Work, if poſſible to be done. This *Medicine* will help you, to throw away your *Crutches*: and for a decayed rotten CARCASE, if poſſible to be reſtored, this is the *Remedy*.

Chirurgery is a very fine *Art*; but I do not like the Craft, nor the Ignorance that ſome of thoſe Profeſſors are plentifully endowed with: they can dreſs and plaiſter up the *Patient*, but know little of the true Deſign and Myſtery of *Curing*; but he that is truly Knowing, Skilful in Healing, and Honeſt, is a man much to be eſteemed: ſuch are but few: elſe, what makes the *Surgeon* ſo long about *Healing*, in Caſes not ſo difficult? Becauſe he wants the right deſignment, and good internal Medicine to promote the Work. *Healing* ariſeth (*primariò*) from Nature within; not from *Plaiſter* and *Unguent* without: External Applications will not do, without good Internal Medicine, diſpoſing and inabling Nature for *Healing*, thereby to effect the Cure: after ſix Months, and twelve Months tormenting, you ſhall have this comfortable News; your *Leg*, or your *Arm* muſt be chopt off, if you will ſave your Life: This is an After-Game to be played.

Natura Corroborata —— Is that the *Quid agendum*? That's eaſily ſaid; but, *quibus auxiliis*? What Medicines have you to do it with? *Additu difficilia*; they are not ſo ſoon found out: for want of theſe the *Gangrens* and *Mortifications*, too often put a period to the *Surgeon's* Labour; and the Patient's Life. I have ſeen the woful Experience of this; and I have ſeen the joyful Experience of the other. *Ab infortunio, fortunium*: This *Ulcer* and *Apoſtem* taught me to be a *Surgeon*; and this two Months *Cure* inform'd me more; than ſeven years *Hoſpital* Practice could teach me: true, I might learn there the Art of *Diſmembring*, how to cut off *Arms* and *Legs* cleverly: but I learned a better Art than that; namely, how to ſave *Arms* and *Legs*, and *Bodies* from mangling. *Amputation* would not ſo frequently be the mode of *Curing*; nor the extream *Remedy* of ſaving the Life; if the true Art of *Heal-*

Healing was rightly known. I might learn there to *Cut* & *Carbonado*: but here I learned the Art of ſleeping in a whole Skin; that's better. I ſaved both *Belly* and *Back* from ripping up, with the help of this *Medicine* only: and for theſe good *Deeds*, I muſt never forget this good *Medicine*.

For inward *Bruiſes*, to prevent or diſſolve coagulate *Blood*; to diſcuſs and diſſipate collected *Humors*, reſorting thither, and fixing; to defend and ſtrengthen the grieved part; nothing more availeable. And as for *Fractures* and *Diſlocations*, ; which neceſſarily require a skilful *Surgeon's* hand, & outward Applications: yet for inward Medicine, to keep the Body in due temper, and to promote ſuch Cures, this is moſt helpful and aſſiſting to Nature, for a ſafe and more ſpeedy performance thereof. Upon a review therefore of what hath been truly ſaid, this *Medicine* doth appear the moſt commodious Medicinal Proviſion (as *ready*, *durable*, and *portable*) for *Armies*, *Navies*, and *Hoſpitals:* compleated for all emergent Occaſions, and the moſt effieacious means that can be uſed; for *Wounded*, *Contuſed*, *Apoſtemated*, *Ulcerated*, *Maimed* Perſons, and ſick People; nothing Superior, nor equal to it now in Practice.

It evacuates by *Stool*, cleanſeth by *Urine*, evaporates by the *Pores*, expectorates and clears the *Breaſt*.

Promotes the *Digeſtions*, removes *Obſtructions*, expells *Wind*, *Fumes*, and *Vapours*.

Roborates and ſtrengthens the *Nerves*, *Tendons*, *Ligaments*, *Membranes* and *Fibers*; enabling them for Extenſion, Retenſion, Expulſion and Tranſmiſſion.

Prevents and checks *Febrile Heats*, and *Turgid Fermentations*.

Allays *Pain*, procures *Reſt*, *Heals* admirably.

A *Reſtorative*, to retrive a *Conſumptive*, *Waſting Body:* and excellent for ſuch as are *Phthiſical*, *Aſtmatic*, or have a ſtinking *Breath*; opening the Pipes of the *Lungs*, cleanſing away *Phlegm*, or *putrid* Matter by *Expectoration*; helps *Coughing*, *Wheeſing*, and and *Shortneſs* of *Breath*; and for *tabefyed*, *decayed*, *weak Lungs*; nothing likt it. A *Perfume* to ſweeten a rank, corrupt Carcaſe. A *Catholic* Inſtrument, ſerving *Nature's* Conveniency and Neceſſity, applying fitly to all Caſes.

This is a Compoſition, *ex tribus: Aliment*, *Condiment*, and *Medicament*; here is *Food*, and *Sauce* to it; and *Medicine* in the Rere, for *Digeſtion* (*extra Jocum*). This is a ſtrange Compound indeed, as ever was; but it is a true one; and the beſt (if I may be Judge) that ever was yet; at leaſt, the beſt that I ever ſaw, or can hear of; and I have had the view of thouſands, upon Inquiry and Search for many years, in Print and Manuſcripts: beſides my own *Experiments* and *Tryals*, not a few, for ſatisfaction. It carries the beſt face, and makes the moſt hopeful and innocent Appearance, upon review of the Materials, and the Deſignment of Preparation: but that's not all; it anſwers in *Practice*, and proves as good, or better than it promiſeth: for in all the dangerous and difficult Caſes that this *Medicine* hath been uſed, I know not of any Miſcarriage, or ill *Operation* happening in the weakeſt and tendereſt Bodies; but much to the ſatisfaction of all: *Intaminatis fulget honoribus*.

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This is a *Jewel* fit for the Cabinet of *Princes*; and I do believe, (not without reaſon, but without Vanity or Boaſting) that they have not ſuch help as this, when they ſtand in need.

The Learned Profeſſors of this Art, perhaps may be angry, to ſee a ſingle *Medicine* vieing with all their Skill and Practice: but who can help it? *Truth* muſt be ſpoke; this *Medicine* fears no *Frowns*, and begs no *Favour*; becauſe 'tis able to ſtand a Tryal, and abide the Teſt; this is no Cheat nor Brag (we ſcorn thoſe Tricks) it will do that which ſometimes they cannot do with a whole Shop of Medicines: There is no ſuch Method recorded upon the *Files*; nor no ſuch Medicine in the *Shops*.

For *Infants* or *Children* that are troubled with *Worms*, or have *hard* and *big Bellyes*; this *Medicine* is excellent; either given inwardly, or applyed outward, as a *Plaiſter* upon the *Navel*, the breadth of your Palm.

'Tis a neceſſary *Vade mecum*, and a ſecure Companion for a Traveller; being both *Phyſitian*, and *Pothecary*; and *Surgeon* in many Caſes; as in all your Travels you ſhall not find the like, nor ſuch help to be purchaſed for your *Gold*. How ſadly are ſome expoſed, that fall ſick in ſtrange Places? What inconſiderable, (if not pernicious) aſſiſtance in moſt places, as *Phyſick* is now managed? and in the beſt places it is ſpecious, but not what it ſeems to promiſe. This will *Sail* with you to *Eaſt-India*; and if there be no Occaſion in the Voyage (as ten to one there will) you may take it, or give it when you come home, and it will be then in full Power and Vertue. *Ships* and *Shops*, they are bravely provided! Ah! I know how; and I know both the *Ship-Doctors*; and the *Shop-Doctors*, that give out *Bills*, *Recipès*; what do you call them; the Paper Medicines they practice with; that imprudent late Invention, and pernitious Innovation. I have ſearcht the Medical *Art*, and Medicine *Trade*; from oneend to the other: I have ſounded the *Shallons*, and the *Deep*: I know the *Intrigues*, the *Blindes*, and the *Shams*; (as well as the Excellency, and what is praiſeworthy) and it is two to one, but you may know them ere long: but we are now upon another buſineſs, the *Catholic Medicine*. But all this while, you know not how to uſe it, if you had it: I'll tell you; and I can inform you as well as any body; for I have taken it thirty times at leaſt, my ſelf; and I know how many, others have taken it; and the Effects.

The *Doſe*, or Quantity to be taken at once: the *Manner* how: and *Times* when; are thus.

A Man, or Woman may begin with half a *Dram*, for the firſt *Doſe*; which is about the quantity of a *Haſel Nut-ſhell*: next time a *Dram* weight: which is about the bigneſs of a large *Nutmeg*: and this is the moſt uſuall *Doſe* for continuance afterward: except ſome very ſtrong Bodies, that may proceed to a *Dram* and a half: a Child of ten years old, may take the Quantity of a *Haſel* Nut.

Take it upon a Knifes *Point*: but you may divide it into two or three parts, for the more eaſie ſwallowing; and a Spoonfull of warm Drink with each, to carry it down: (this was my way) or you may diſſolve the whole *Doſe*, in two Spoonfuls of hot

hot *Drink*; and take a Spoonful or two after, to wash your mouth: or else you may put it in the pap of an *Apple*, *Stew'd-prune*, or such like, and swallow it: either way will serve, as every one likes best. The Drink you take with it, may be *White-Wine*, and *Spring-Water*, equal Quantities mixt: I have taken it with *Ale*; with Small *Beer*; and with *Milk*; for Tryals: but *Wine* and *Water* together, I commend generally, as the best Vehicle.

The *Times* of taking this *Medicine*, most usually, and best; is at Night, going to bed: for it doth not hinder Sleep; but rather procures quiet Rest: and those Nights you must eat but little; and not after seven of the Clock: but if any Person shall find any Inconvenience, by taking over Night; it may be taken early in the Morning, at four or five of the Clock, and sleep after: about eight or nine of the Clock, you may drink a Draught of warm *Ale*, or *Beer*; but not Stale, or *Whey* in *Summer*. If the the *Weather* be not very bad; or the Weakness and Condition of Body, doth not forbid; you may go abroad without danger. And if occasion requires; you may safely take this Medicine in *Frosty* Weather or *Dog* Days. I took it three or four times in a Week, the last great Frost; but kept within. The Use of this Medicine, is to be continued a longer, or shorter time, according to the greatness of the Disease or Cause. Take at first, three Nights together; intermit one Night, and take three Nights more: and in many Cases this is enough: but if the Occasion be greater, requiring a further Prosecution; you may then proceed on, and take two Nights together, and intermit the third; afterwards you may take but every other day.

This is no rough, boisterous *Medicine*; it makes no busle, nor gives any Disturbance; but it works gently, cunningly, and privately, like a *Mole* under Ground: and you must give it due time to compleat the full Effects; but every days Operation will incourage you to go on, by the present dayly advantages: therefore be not too hasty in your Expectation; if there be a difficult piece of Work to be done; and leave not off the *Medicine* too soon; but give the full tryal of its Efficacy and Virtue: your Disease came on by *degrees*; and it must go *gradually* off: and impute not your Miscarriages, your improper, unseasonable, or insufficient *Use* of this means, to the deficiency of the Medicine; which cannot Cure, unless prudently us'd; and be careful to avoid irregular Living, during the use hereof.

But all this is to little purpose; at least, not to your advantage; if you know not where to have this good *Medicine*: to conceal it, were a *Crime*; and to confine this most useful Medicine to a private Practice only; were against the Rule of Charity: how acceptable would this be to such, as are in desperate Cases; who commonly are exposed to desperate Medicines, and ill contrived Methods? Therefore this Medicine is made thus publick, for their help: and for Conveniency to such persons; either of the *Booksellers*, for whom this is printed; named in the *Title-Page*: they will procure the Medicine for such as desire it; without their further trouble. And although this *Magnal* might reasonably be valued at the price of *Gold*, weight for weight: but then the meaner sort would be barr'd from the use of so helpful a *Remedy*; therefore it is so appointed, to be purchased for a little; that they may share

in the benefit hereof, which will ſave both *Lives* and *Pounds*; and to this I can write *probatum eſt*: in relation to my ſelf and others: for what do you think my great Cure coſt me with this *Medicine*? Not above thirty Shillings, I may truly ſay: which had it been managed by the common method of Phyſick, as now practiſed; I could not expect the Charge of to be leſs than 30 or 40 pounds: then I am beholden to this *Medicine*, as the Inſtrument that ſaved both my Life and my Purſe.

I fared much better with this ſingle *Medicine*, than a *Gentleman* did (that I know) with all his Method of various Medicines; who for the Cure of his *Ague* conſulted three able *Phyſitians* in and about *London*; who had of him ſevenſcore *Guineys* for their good Advice, during his Courſe of Phyſick: beſides the *Pothecary's* Bills, which came upwards of thirty pounds: and after all this Charge and all theſe Medicines; (you may imagine he had good ſtore, or great ſtore of them for his Money:) the Patient went into the Countrey uncured; carrying his *Ague* along with him.

There is much more to be ſaid concerning this *Medicine*; having been proved, and approved by many: the great *Performances* and admirable *Effects* whereof, you will have a particular Account the next Opportunity.

It is time now to end our Diſcourſe; I have been ſomethiug longer than intended; but the Importance of the Matter being no ſmall thing; I could not paſs it over ſlightly: it was that which nearly concerned my Life; and here is enough to concern *Yours*; and you know not how ſoon it may come to the *Tryal*: probably ſome part of it will, ſooner, or later; except ſudden *Death* prevents the Uſe of means: but few think of the Means, until Extremity urgeth; and then ſorry help they procure; which commonly makes but a ſorrowful Concluſion of the Work.

I have not put my Name to this *Narrative*: (not that I am aſhamed to own any thing here delivered) but for ſome Reaſons beſt known to my ſelf: and deſire to be excuſed therein; at leaſt for the preſent: but if any Perſon hath ought to object, againſt any thing here aſſerted, either as *Argument*, or Matter of *Fact*; let him produce; and the *Author* hereof promiſes a Reply, and a further Account of this Grand REMEDY.

FINIS.